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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

DIVISION BENCH

CORAM: **HON'BLE SHRI H.L. DATTU, CJ. &**
HON'BLE SHRI V.K. SHRIVASTAVA, J.

Writ Petition (P.I.L.) No. 1092 of 2007

PETITIONER The Courts its own motion

VERSUS

RESPONDENT Municipal Corporation Bhilai
Through its Commissioner
Bhilai, Distt. – Durg (C.G.)

Present: Shri Amrito Das, amicus curiae to assist this Court.
Shri H.B. Agrawal, Sr. Advocate with Ms. Sangeeta Mishra, counsel for the respondent with Shri P.K.Varma, E.E. & In-charge Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Bhilai and Shri G.S. Tamrakar, Acting E.E., Municipal Corporation, Bhilai.

ORAL ORDER

(Passed on 02nd April, 2007)

The following oral order of the Court was passed by

H.L. Dattu, CJ.

A news item was published in the daily news paper "Central Chronicle" dated 19-02-2007. The report was that there is acute water shortage/crisis in Ward No. 6 under the Bhilai Municipal Corporation. It was also reported that the area is mostly inhabited by the labour class people.

(2) This Court after taking cognizance of the aforesaid news item, had directed the same to be registered as Public Interest Litigation. In order to assist the Court, Shri Amrito Das, Advocate was requested to be amicus curiae.

(3) Notice of this petition was ordered to be issued and served on the respondent. Respondent has appeared through learned Sr. counsel Shri H.B. Agrawal. The respondent has also filed a detailed affidavit. In that, the respondent has stated that they are providing drinking water to the people residing in Ward No.6. The affidavit filed by the respondent is

taken on record. Since the purpose of registering this Public Interest Litigation is now taken care of by the respondent/Municipal Corporation, nothing else requires to be done in this petition. Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of. The respondent/Municipal Corporation, Bhilai shall continue to supply drinking water to the people residing in Ward No.6 of Bhilai Municipal Corporation during the summer season. Ordered accordingly.

(4) This Court places on record its deep appreciation to the efforts made by learned amicus curiae Shri Amrito Das.

Sd/-
Chief Justice

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V.K.Shrivastava
Judge